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## THE NORMAL ALUMNI COLUMNS

This issue of the ALUMNI COLUMNS will, we hope, fulfill our promise to acquaint our readers with the recent additions to the College faculty. We are including biographical sketches of the forty-two new faculty members, accompanied by pictures of thirty. War shortages have prevented our getting pictures of the other twelve.

The nation's call for man-power has, of course, been greeted by a hearty response from our faculty. Almost every department has lost valuable members to the Armed Forces or to defense work. In Physical Education, for example, Mrs. Melba O'Quinn is the third Acting Head; her predecessors, in order, were Messrs. Guy Neson, Paul Marx, and Alvin Brown—all of whom are on leave, the first two in military service and the last with the State Department of Education. When Mr. Sherrod Towns, Head of the Music Department, entered the U. S. Navy, he was succeeded by Mr. Lorane Brittain, who has also joined the Navy. The present Acting Head of that Department is Mrs. Lillian Gerow McCook.

We hope that our readers will welcome this opportunity to acquaint themselves somewhat with our new faculty members. If you wish to learn more about them, we cordially invite you to visit the campus and meet them personally.

### Member of Faculty of 1902 Identified as Mr. Irving King

In the last issue of the ALUMNI COLUMNS we ran a picture of the Faculty of Normal in 1902. In this picture was one man whose identify we had been unable to ascertain, and we asked our readers please to supply us with any information that might lead to his identification.

The numerous responses have been most gratifying. We are grateful for the thoughtfulness of our readers in helping us to make his identification definite so that we might pass this information on to those of our readers who are very much interested. Letters came from Kansas, Texas, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Louisiana suggesting five different names, many of the writers being rather doubtful of the real identify but offering helpful suggestions. Each of the suggested names was carefully checked with students and faculty members of the year 1902. The final verdict seems to establish, without doubt, the identity of the gentlemen as Mr. Irving King, who was a teacher of Psychology and worked with the practice teachers in their "Critique" sessions.

Mrs. J. B. Pratt was the first person to telephone the correct identification. She was a student at Normal in 1902 and had work with Mr. King. This identification was confirmed by Mrs. Jesse Bowden Stephens, a member of the faculty at that time, and by Mrs. Ed Brown of San Antonio, Texas.

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It has also developed that Miss Annie Burris, listed in the picture as a matron, was a teacher of music.

Another interesting sidelight resulting from the publication of this picture is the story of an incident that occurred last summer. While driving to Hot Springs, Arkansas, last summer, Mrs. Mary Keator and Miss Kate Keator of Campti noticed along the roadside for many miles before reaching Hot Springs, rather attractive signs advertising "Johnson's Service Station"; and while in Hot Springs they stopped at this particular station. They were greeted by an elderly gentleman who, noting the Louisiana license plate, asked them if they happened to live near Natchitoches. Learning that they were from Campti, he told them that he was Dr. Johnson, a member of the College faculty in 1902. After leaving Normal he accepted a position in the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, where he taught until his health failed and he was advised by his physicians to resign his position and do less confining work; hence the outdoor work in Hot Springs.

On hearing this story, Mrs. Jesse Bowden Stephens recalled that Dr. Johnson had offered her a position in his department at the University of Arkansas. She refused the offer because she preferred to remain in Natchitoches. She also recalled that Dr. Johnson had married a Louisiana girl, Miss Ilma Leche, a graduate of the College.

## The Cover

This picture on the cover of this issue of the Columns proves that King Winter sometimes holds our usually mild and sunny campus in his icy grip. Eight of our co-eds are here shown reveling in the ice and snow on the main walk leading to Caldwell Hall. Though the picture shows that some limbs of our beautiful trees were broken at the time, it by no means indicates the extent of the destruction wrought. Later the ice coating became much heavier, and many of our trees and shrubs were riddled by the weighty burden.

Most of us here on the campus felt that the havoc wrought by the ice would be irreparable—and, indeed, the scars will undoubtedly long remain. But with our workmen's prompt attention and Mother Nature's healing powers, the beauty of our campus trees will soon be restored.

CLARENCE E. DUGDALE, Associate Editor

# Recent Faculty Changes



BERRY

MOUSER

HIGGS

## ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

### MRS. IONA BERRY

Mrs. Iona Berry became Dean of Women in the fall of 1942, succeeding Miss Dean Varnado, who retired at the end of the 1942 summer session. In addition to being Dean of Women at the College, Mrs. Berry is associate professor of Social Studies.

A native of Arkansas, Mrs. Berry completed her high school education at the Arkansas State Teachers College Training School, Conway, Arkansas, and taught in the public schools of that state for two years before attending Louisiana State University. Mrs. Berry secured the B. A. degree in sociology from the State University and served there for three years as assistant to the Dean of Women.

The new Dean was granted the M. A. Degree in student personnel administration by Columbia University, where she was assistant in the Department of Student Welfare.

Mrs. Berry's experience includes 10 years as administrative assistant to the Dean of the College of Fine Arts at the University of Arizona, and she later served as director of student personnel and teacher of sociology at the New York Medical College.

Dean Berry is vice-president of the local branch of the American Association of University Women and is chairman of a committee in that organization which is working out an exhibit whereby the College hopes to gain recognition of Normal graduates by the A. A. U. W. She is a member of two honorary fraternities; Pi Lambda Pi and Delta Kappa Gamma; and of the following organizations: the National Association of Deans of Women, the State Association of Deans of Women, of which she is Secretary, and of Lesche.

In addition to sociology, the new Dean teaches a class in Social Fundamentals, which all freshman women are required to take. She inaugurated this course at the

opening of the 1943-44 session, and also established the "Big-Sister" program on the campus for the purpose of assisting in the orientation of freshman girls.

It was because of Dean Berry's interests and efforts that an honorary assembly was recently introduced, the purpose of which is to recognize students who have demonstrated outstanding scholastic ability. One of the awards at this event is the Dean of Women's cup, offered by Mrs. Berry to the women's residence hall with the highest scholastic average.

Mrs. Berry has recently attended two conventions, the National Association of Deans of Women convention and the State meeting of Deans of Women.

Since coming to the Louisiana State Normal College campus, Dean Berry finds that she has little time to pursue her three hobbies—horse-back riding, stamp collecting, and cooking.

### MR. C. M. MOUSER

Mr. C. M. Mouser, Auditor of the State Normal, came to the College as an assistant professor in the Commerce Department in September, 1940.

Mr. Mouser received high school certificates from the Wortham High School, Wortham, Texas, and from the Grayson High School, Grayson, Louisiana. After graduation he attended Westminster Junior College in Tehuacana, Texas, where he was president of the Student Body Association, president-elect of the senior class, and editor-in-chief of the college annual for the following year.

He entered the University of Texas in May, 1924, and received his B. B. A. in business administration in June, 1926. Mr. Mouser returned to the University for one year of law school, then accepted the position of Auditor and commerce teacher in Laredo High School, Laredo, Texas, and later became head of the commerce department

there. By attending summer sessions at Louisiana State University, he obtained his master's degree in 1937.

Prior to his coming to the Normal, where he was a teacher of Accounting, Business Principles, Salesmanship, and Typing in the Commerce Department, Mr. Mouser filled a temporary position in the Business Administration Department at Sam Houston State Teachers College. In January, 1943, he replaced Mr. C. R. Whitehead in the Auditor's Office.

A member of the Rotary Club, and of the Laredo Lodge 547, A. F. and A. M., Mr. Mouser states that his chief interests lie in reading historical novels and in entertaining his children.

### MISS LAVELLE HIGGS

Miss Lavelle Higgs, a native of Mississippi, who came to the State Normal College last year to replace Miss Helen Buck, is now the Dietitian and Manager of the Student Center Cafeteria.

Miss Higgs graduated from the Ellisville High School in Mississippi, attended Jones County Junior College, also in Mississippi, and received her B. S. degree from Louisiana Polytechnic Institute in 1941. She has also done work at Michael Reese Hospital in Chicago, where she served twelve months' internship as a dietitian. While at Junior College she was a member of the Dramatic Club, Athenian Literary Society, Y. W. C. A., and the Home Economics Club.

She enjoys cooking in all its phases, but her favorite pastime is that of preparing "fancy dishes." Miss Higgs

gives as the greatest occurrence in her life her appointment to the Michael Reese Hospital in Chicago.

### MISS FERN GEYER

(No picture available)

Miss Fern Geyer, who received her B. S. degree in Home Economics from the Kansas State College in Manhattan, Kansas, relieved Mr. S. T. Hatcher as Dietitian of the State Normal Dining Hall in July, 1941.

A native of Topeka, Kansas, Miss Geyer graduated from the Topeka High School in 1932. She received a certificate for one-half year internship in dietetics from the Michael Reese Hospital in Chicago.

Miss Geyer is a member of the American Dietetics Association, the Louisiana Dietetics Association, and the American Association of University Women.

### MRS. MARY MYERS

Mrs. Mary Ola Myers of Jackson, Mississippi, is now nurse in charge of the College Infirmary.

Mrs. Myers is a Graduate Registered Nurse from the South Mississippi State Charity Hospital. At the time of graduation she ranked highest on the state board examination.

After finishing school Mrs. Myers served at private duty for one year and then went into the service of the U. S. Veterans Administration, where she did institutional work in various government hospitals until she accepted her present position here at the beginning of the Fall Semester, 1942.



DUGDALE



MRS. KELLOGG

## LANGUAGES

### DR. C. E. DUGDALE

Dr. C. E. Dugdale, who received his B. A. degree from the State Normal, came to its present position as Head of the Language Department in June, 1942.

After his graduation from the Choudrant High School, Choudrant, Louisiana, where he was faculty representative of his class, Dr. Dugdale entered the Normal College. He left, however, in the spring of 1918 to be-

come principal of the Lulu High School in DeSoto Parish.

Although he returned for the summer session of that school year, Dr. Dugdale resigned to go into the army, where he remained until a month after the armistice was signed.

In January, 1919, he accepted the position of principal of the Wilhite School in Union Parish. In the fall of

1919 he became principal of the Oil City High School in Caddo Parish, and later filled similar positions in the Pioneer High School in West Carroll Parish and in the Arcadia High School in Bienville Parish.

On receiving his B. A. degree from the State Normal College in 1924, Dr. Dugdale left public school work to enter the graduate school of the University of Texas. He obtained his Master's degree in English from the University of Texas in 1932 and his Ph. D. degree in 1941.

During the years between 1932 and 1941, Dr. Dugdale was a member of the English Department on The University of Texas, and during the year 1941-1942, he was an Associate Professor of English at Southwestern Institute at Lafayette, Louisiana.

He was faculty representative of his graduating class from the Normal and won the Mattie O'Daniel medal in parliamentary law. During 1939 and 1940, he was a graduate fellow at The University of Texas.

Dr. Dugdale is listed in the 1942 Directory of American Scholars, is a member of the Louisiana Teachers Association, the Louisiana College Conference, the American Association of University Professors, and the Southern Branch of the Modern Language Association. While serving as secretary of the English section of the Louisiana College Conference, he read a paper before the association.

#### Bunyan's Court Scenes and Whitman's Knowledge of

**Astronomy** are two of his published works. His master's thesis is entitled **John Bunyan, the Preacher**, and his doctor's dissertation, **Christ Against Anti-Christ with Bunyan and his Contemporaries**.

Dr. Dugdale's chief hobby is fishing, and his greatest ambition is to return to the McAlpin collection in the Union Theological Seminary Library to continue his study of the seventeenth-century religious and political controversy.

#### MRS. FLORENCE YOUNG KELLOGG

Mrs. Florence Young Kellogg, of Perryville, Louisiana, is the new instructor of French at the Louisiana State Normal College, having come here in November, 1942, to replace Miss Eve Mouton, who is now serving in the armed forces.

Mrs. Kellogg attended Northeast Junior College in Monroe, received her B. A. degree from Louisiana State University in 1940, and has about completed her work for a Master's degree. While at Junior College she was a member of Phi Theta Kappa, and the French Club, and was an active participant in journalistic activities.

Before coming to the College, Mrs. Kellogg taught in Monroe. She has just completed research on the life and works of a recent French dramatist Francois de Curel.



McCOOK

MASON

SCALES

## MUSIC

#### MRS. LILLIAN GEROW McCOOK

Lillian Gerow McCook, daughter of Willie E. and Frances Clarks Gerow, was born in Jacksonville, Florida. She attended the public school there and in Boston, Massachusetts, graduating from the Girls' Latin School. Her undergraduate work was done at Simmons College in Boston, at Cornell University, and at the Louisiana State Normal College, where she received the B. S. degree in 1925 while a member of its faculty. For three summers she attended the sessions for music supervisors directed by Dr. Hollis Dann at Cornell. Other special work has been done by Mrs. McCook at Boston University and at the Chicago Musical College. Specializing in voice, she received the Mus. B. degree from Ithaca College in 1932. Working in

the field of Musicology with Dr. Otto Kinkeldey, Mrs. McCook received the M. A. degree from Cornell University in 1939. Related fields of study have been the English language, poetry, and foreign languages. Mrs. McCook's vocal studies have been carried on with Helen Allen Hunt of Boston; John Chipman of New York; Eric Dudley, A. R. A. M.; Graham Reed of Chicago; Herbert Witherspoon of New York; and Bert Rogers of Ithaca. She has given successful recitals in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Florida, Arkansas, and Louisiana. In addition to regular engagements as church soloist in Boston, Massachusetts, in Ithaca, New York, and in Jacksonville, Florida, Mrs. McCook was for three years soloist at the First Presbyterian Church in Shreveport, Louisiana.

Before coming to Louisiana Mrs. McCook taught music, French, and English in the High School in Lisbon, New Hampshire, where she also directed the choir of the First Congregational Church. Since 1921 she has been a member of the faculty of music of the Louisiana State Normal College. In 1922 she was married to Dr. Joel Woodruff McCook of Natchitoches, and they have one son, Daniel Gerow McCook. She is a member of Delta Kappa Gamma (Past State President); an artist member of the Louisiana Federation of Music Clubs, of whose board she is also a member; the Lesche Club (Past President); L. F. W. C.; the Order of the Blue Violet; and holds membership in the Music Teachers' National Association; the Music Educators' National Conference; the Southern Conference for Music Education; the Louisiana Music Education Association; the Louisiana Teachers Association; the American Association of University Professors; the American Association of University Women; the National Education Association. Mrs. McCook's name appears in "Who's Who in Music" and in "Who's Who in Louisiana."

### MR. WALTER A. MASON

Mr. Walter A. Mason, a native of New York, succeeded Mr. Robert Frizzell as assistant professor of music and director of choral music at the Louisiana State Normal College in September, 1941.

Mr. Mason received the B. S. degree from the New York State Teachers College in 1932 and the M. M. degree from the Northwest University of Illinois in 1941. He is now working on his Ph. D. Mr. Mason did undergraduate work at the Chicago Conservatory of Music in 1931, the George Peabody College, Nashville, Tennessee in 1943; and the University of Colorado from 1934 to 1938 (by extension).

After graduating from New York State Teachers College, Mr. Mason became supervisor of music in Chautauqua County, New York. In 1934, he became city supervisor of music of Public Schools in Westwood, New Jersey. Then, in 1940-41, Mr. Mason went back to Northwest University as assistant teacher of Music Theory. He has also directed a church choir since 1929.

Mr. Mason has done research work in music on the topic of "Eye Movements in Sight Reading Music." His publication in music was an article in the NEW YORK STATE EDUCATOR (June, 1934), called "Our Singing Countryside." He has made several piano compositions and has arranged choral music.

One of the outstanding facts of his teaching career is that Mr. Mason has missed only two musical conferences since 1931, and on several occasions has made speeches. This year he has attended two conferences. At the Louisiana Music Association Conference in Alexandria he spoke on "Freshman Entrance Examination in Music."

Mr. Mason is an active member of L. T. A., L. M. E. A., and Music Educators National Conference; and faculty adviser for Phi Mu Alpha, National Music Fraternity on the campus.

Mr. Mason was married in August, 1935, and has three children. His hobbies are collecting "good music," collecting paintings, and playing golf.

### MISS MARY BLANCHE SCALES

Miss Mary Blanche Scales came to the Louisiana State Normal College in September, 1943, to assume the teaching duties of Mr. Lorane Brittain, who volunteered his services in the United States Navy.

Although a native of Texas, Miss Scales received most of her education in Louisiana. In 1934 she received the Bachelor of Music degree at Centenary College, Shreveport, Louisiana; and in 1938 she was granted the Master of Music degree from the Louisiana State University. She received her piano training at both schools from Professor LeRoy Carlson.

Miss Scales has appeared in several piano and organ recitals and was for several years a member of the Carlton-Scales Two-Piano Ensemble and the Petty-Scales Two-Piano Team. She has twice received the Young Artist Diploma in the National Tournament. She was for two years accompanist-coach in the Louisiana State University Opera Department.

Before coming to the Normal College, Miss Scales taught at Southeastern Louisiana College, Hammond, Louisiana, from September, 1942, until September, 1943.

She is a member of the L. T. A., National Guild of Piano Teachers, A. A. U. W., Sigma Alpha Iota National Professional Music Sorority, and the Alpha XI Delta National Social Sorority.

### MRS. JOYCE TOWNS

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Mrs. Joyce Towns joined the faculty as an instructor in the Music Department in December of 1942. She is a native of Birmingham, Alabama, where she finished high school. Before receiving her diploma at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music, Mrs. Towns taught piano. She was at the same time a professional accompanist, and was later pianist of a professional string trio for two years. While traveling in Europe, Mrs. Towns attended the Conservatoire Americain, Fontainebleau, France, a French school for American students of music.

Mrs. Towns received her B. M. degree at L. S. U. in 1936 and her B. A. there in 1938; she has also done graduate work in piano.

Mrs. Towns is a member of the following organizations: Louisiana Teachers Association; American Association of University Women; the Louisiana Music Education Association; and Sigma Alpha Iota, the National honorary music fraternity for women.

Noted conventions Mrs. Towns has attended are the State, District, and National Music Education Conferences. Mr. and Mrs. Towns performed at the BiAnnual Conference of National Music Educator; Mr. Towns sang and Mrs. Towns played.

Mrs. Towns has two hobbies, although wartime shortages have greatly restricted both—cooking and traveling.



ALDRICH



SKIPPER

## SOCIAL SCIENCE

### MR. COURTNEY C. ALDRICH

A native of St. Louis, Missouri, Courtney C. Aldrich graduated from Maplewood High School and attended Westminster College, a Presbyterian endowed school. Mr. Aldrich attended this school for three and a half years and the University of Missouri for a half year. He then spent six years at L. S. U. and received the B. A. and M. A. degrees there. He has also done most of his work on his Ph. D. degree at L. S. U.

From 1928 to 1933, he led an orchestra bearing his name. Mr. Aldrich is also a member of a musical fraternity, and once held the position of secretary in the branch of the American Federation of Music in Baton Rouge.

After graduating from L. S. U., Mr. Aldrich taught three years at the Franklinton High School in Louisiana. He then became assistant professor in the Social Science Department at L. S. U. and held this position from 1937 to 1942.

In the summer session of 1942 he came to the Normal College, where he succeeded Mr. W. C. Culp as assistant professor in the Social Science Department.

When the Navy Flight Preparatory was established at the College in January, 1943, Mr. Aldrich was appointed head of the department of Aerology, Physics, and Aircraft Engines in the School.

He has done research work on the subject of "Town Patterns in Louisiana," a geographical work. He is a member of Phi Delta Gamma, a national historical society.

Working with machines and engines is his major hobby, and his favorite pastime is taking automobile engines apart. Mr. Aldrich is also an avid sports fan.

Mr. Aldrich was married in 1934 and has three children, one boy and two girls.

### DR. OTTIS CLARK SKIPPER

Having taught ten years in public high schools in Texas and seven years at The Citadel, the state military school of South Carolina, Dr. Ottis Clark Skipper, of Thorpe Springs, Texas, replaced Miss Martha Feltus as Associate Professor of History at Normal in September, 1942.

He received A. B. and A. M. degrees in Economics from the University of Texas in 1933. He did graduate work in history at Harvard, receiving the A. M. degree and the Ph. D degree in 1942. Other universities which Dr. Skipper attended are Stanford, the University of Chicago, and Brown University.

*Memoir of James MacSparran, Minister of Narragansett; J. D. B. Debow—Statistician of the Old South; and J. D. B. DeBow-and the Seven Senses* are completed works of Dr. Skipper. He has also written four articles which appear in the *Dictionary of American History*, and numerous book reviews in several magazines.

Dr. Skipper won the Award in History at Brown and the Colonial Dames Essay Prize in Rhode Island. He was First-Student Assistant while at the University of Texas. He is a member of the Executive Council and Vice-President of the South Carolina Historical Association, as well as one of the membership committee of the Executive Committee; Co-chairman of Local Arrangements and Chairman of the Committee of Nominations of the Southern Historical Association are other positions held by Dr. Skipper, who is also a member of the Texas Historical Association and the American Association of University Professors and vice-chairman of Social Science of the College Conference.

At the present time, Dr. Skipper is working on *The Life of J. D. B. DeBow* for inclusion in the *Southern Leaders Series* sponsored by the L. S. U. Press.

Dr. Skipper has been recognized as a leader in education and will be in the 1943 issue of *Who's Who in Education*. He delivered the annual address before the Huguenots in 1938.

# HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

## MRS. MELBA B. O'QUINN

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Mrs. Melba B. O'Quinn, who succeeded Mr. Alvin Brown in 1943, is the first women to be Acting Head of the Physical Education Department in the history of the Louisiana State Normal College.

After graduating from the Louisiana State University in 1925 with a B. A. degree, Mrs. O'Quinn came to the Normal College, where she has had all her experience in teaching. She also received her M. A. degree in 1934 from

the State University. Mrs. O'Quinn did graduate work at Columbia University in 1926 and in the fall of 1930. She has done research work on the topic of "Physical Education Schools of Louisiana."

Mrs. O'Quinn is a member of L.T.A. and Kappa Delta sorority. She has attended L. T. A. Convention and meetings of the Health, Physical Education and Recreational Association—Southern Division.

Mrs. O'Quinn is from New Roads, Louisiana, and is a graduate of the Poydras High School.



SEXTON

CLAY

TAYLOR

MAGEE

# LIBRARY

## MISS NANCY SEXTON

"Just getting to work in the library and being at the Normal is outstanding in itself," was Miss Nancy Sexton's reply to the question, "What has been the most outstanding occurrence of your life?"

Miss Sexton is acting head librarian at the College during the absence of Mr. Eugene Watson.

A native of Minden, Louisiana, Miss Sexton graduated from Minden High School, and then entered the Normal, where she received her B. A. degree. After leaving the College, she taught English and Latin in Cotton Valley and Springhill for several years. In 1934, she was a delegate to the Louisiana Teachers Association in New Orleans.

Miss Sexton entered Louisiana State University in 1939. There she received her B. S. degree in Library Science. After leaving Louisiana State University, she accepted the position as librarian in Jackson Parish. Her next position was with the Natchitoches Parish library, where she not only worked in the library, but made trips in the bookmobile to small communities, which otherwise would not have had access to a library.

Miss Sexton's chief interests are being with, and working among, people.

## MRS. MAUDE OAKLAND CLAY

Mrs. Maude Oakland Clay came to the College in February, 1943, replacing Miss Laura Jones as the cataloger for the College Library.

A native of Monroe, Mrs. Clay attended Southwestern Louisiana Institute, where her majors were science and mathematics, and where she later received her B. S. degree.

For eight years after receiving her B. S. degree in Library Science at Louisiana State University, Mrs. Clay worked as cataloger in the library at Southwestern Louisiana Institute. However, December 7, 1941, found her working for the United States War Department as decimal file clerk and teletype operator at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas.

Just prior to her coming to the Normal, she was engaged in high school library work in Missouri. Soon after her arrival at the College, Mrs. Clay made the shelf list available to the faculty and students by moving it from the cataloging room to the front foyer. At present, in addition to her regular duties, she is completely revising the filing of the card catalog, following a simple alphabetical system.

Each year, Mrs. Clay makes a special study of some subject. She is now studying the history of Russia. One of her other interests is corresponding with her two brothers, both of whom are in the armed forces.

### MISS LENA EVELYN TAYLOR

Miss Lena Evelyn Taylor of Fulton, Kentucky, came to the Normal College as circulation librarian in the fall of 1941, relieving Mrs. Sally Gann. She occupied this position for two years, and then was shifted to the position of reference librarian for the current session, during the absence of Mrs. Ora G. Williams.

After her graduation from the Fulton High School, Miss Taylor attended Vanderbilt University, where she received her A. B. degree. She did graduate work at the University of Colorado and Louisiana State University, receiving a B. S. degree in Library Science from the latter institution. She taught in the Junior High School in her home town for four years, and for a short time was librarian of the Winnsboro High School in Winnsboro, Louisiana. Before coming to the Normal College, Miss Taylor was circulation librarian at Southwestern Louisiana Institute.

While in college, Miss Taylor was a member of the Sigma Kappa sorority and of the Eta Sigma Phi, honorary classical society. She belongs to the American Library Association, the Louisiana Library Association, and the Louisiana Teachers Association. During 1942-43, she was secretary of the Library Section of the Louisiana College Conference.

Her personal interests are knitting, reading, and bicycling.

### MISS EILEEN MAGEE

Miss Eileen Magee of Bogalusa, Louisiana, replaced Miss Nancy Sexton as Periodical Librarian and Instructor in Library Science in the fall of 1943. She received her Bachelor of Science degree from Louisiana State University in the spring of 1938 and her Bachelor of Library Science

degree in 1939. Miss Magee did all of her graduate work at L. S. U. She attended Whitworth College of Brookhaven, Mississippi, for two years.

While at L. S. U., Miss Magee became a member of the Spanish Fraternity. She is now a member of the Louisiana Teachers Association.

The unusual hobby of collecting earrings was chosen by Miss Magee several years ago. Reading, sewing, and playing badminton are her favorite ways of spending her leisure time.

### MISS DORIS KILPATRICK

(No picture available)

Miss Doris Kilpatrick came to the Louisiana State Normal College in September, 1943, as head of the Circulation Department in the College Library.

Although Miss Kilpatrick is a native of Louisiana, she graduated from high school and college in Texas. She also held the position as Assistant Librarian in the Kurth Memorial Library, Lufkin, Texas, from January, 1935, until February, 1937.

After receiving her B. A. degree at Stephen F. Austin State Teachers College, Nacogdoches, Texas, in 1939, Miss Kilpatrick taught for two years in the Central Ward Grammar School, Lufkin, Texas. For the next two years she held the position of Assistant Librarian at the Peabody Demonstration School Library, Nashville, Tennessee.

In June, 1943, Miss Kilpatrick received her B. S. degree in Library Science at the George Peabody College. After completing her graduate work, she was cataloger at Stephen F. Austin State Teachers College from June, 1943, until she came to the Normal College.

Miss Kilpatrick's favorite hobbies are reading and swimming.



OWEN

## VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

### MISS MARGARET LOUISE OWEN

Miss Margaret Louise Owen, a native of Kansas, came to Louisiana State Normal College in September, 1942, as a

teacher in the Home Economics Department.

In 1940, Miss Owen received her B. S. degree from Kansas State College, where she was a member of Omicron Nu, an honorary Home Economics fraternity. Immediately

after completing her college work at Kansas State, Miss Owen enrolled at Ohio State University, where she studied psychology and held the position of assistant teacher in the Nursery School for two years. There, Miss Owen was a member of Psi Chi Delta, an honorary psychology fraternity. She received her M. S. degree from Ohio State University in 1942.

Three months later, Miss Owen came to the Normal College to accept the position as head of the Nursery School, and an instructor of Child Care in the Home Economics Department. During her first year at Normal, she was a delegate to the College Conference in Baton Rouge. The summer of 1943 found her working as manager of the Student Center cafe. She is now supervisor of the Home Management House during the absence of Mrs. Cole.

Aside from her duties in the Home Economics Department Miss Owen especially enjoys dancing and reading books on science.

#### MISS MARY JO TERRILL

(No picture available)

The successor to Clarence DeBlieux as instructor in the Commerce Department is Miss Mary Jo Terrill of Ruston, Louisiana. Miss Terrill came to the Louisiana State Normal College in the fall of 1942.

Miss Terrill graduated from the Ruston High School and was awarded a scholarship to Louisiana Tech. She was valedictorian of her high school class.

After graduating from Louisiana Polytechnic Institute in 1934 with a B. A. degree, she taught Commerce in the Franklin High School in Franklin, Louisiana, during 1935-36. From there, she went back to Tech as an instructor in typing and shorthand. After teaching there one summer, she returned to Franklin, where she resumed her position as teacher of Commerce until the summer of 1939.

In the summer of 1939, she went to L. S. U., the institution from which she received her M. A. degree in Commercial Education.

Miss Terrill held several secretarial positions from 1940 until she came to the State Normal College. In 1940 she was secretary to Dr. Sherman, President of Webber College in Florida.

Miss Terrill has done some research in the Commercial field, her thesis having been "Trends in Commercial Education Since 1920."

Miss Terrill is an active member of L. T. A., A. A. U. W., and Pi Omega Pi. Her hobbies are horseback riding, cooking, and typing.



GATES



DOWDY



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#### MRS. WANDA LOWRY GATES

Mrs. Wanda Lowry Gates, one of our 1942 graduates, returned at the beginning of the fall semester to accept the position as teacher and supervisor of Foreign Language in the Natchitoches High School, replacing Mrs. W. C. Culp, who is now on leave.

Although a native of Arkansas, Mrs. Gates has received most of her education in Louisiana, having graduated from the Haynesville High School in 1938 and from the College with the B. A. degree in 1942. She is now doing graduate work in Social and Civic Problems of Education through the Extension Department of L. S. U.

While in college Mrs. Gates was a member of the Purple Jacket Club, B. S. U. Council, French Club, Y. W. C. A. Cabinet, Kappa Delta Pi, and Spanish Club; she appeared in the 1942 issue of "Who's Who of American Universities and Colleges." She is now a member of the American Association of Spanish Teachers and of the L. T. A.



Immediately after her graduation from the College, Mrs. Gates went to San Antonio, Texas, where she was employed for eight months as French-Spanish translator in the Censorship Office. Then she taught in the Atlanta High School during the spring semester of 1943.

Mrs. Gates has as her chief hobbies the collecting of Mexican souvenirs and formulating plans for social entertainments.

#### MISS DOROTHY DOWDY

Miss Dorothy Dowdy, who is replacing Mr. Gainnie Hyams as an instructor in the Social Studies Department in Natchitoches High School, began her teaching career at the College in September, 1942.

A native of Louisiana, Miss Dowdy attended Junction City High School. In 1936, she enrolled at the College. As a student here, she was a member of Kappa Delta Pi, honorary educational fraternity; and Phi Alpha Theta, honorary history fraternity. She was also a member of the

Purple Jacket Club, the oldest honor organization on the campus.

After receiving her A. B. degree in 1940, Miss Dowdy attended The University of Texas, where she was a member of Delta Zeta, a social sorority on that campus. It was from this university that she later received her M. A. degree.

### MISS MARY McENIRY

Miss Mary McEniry, English teacher in the Natchitoches High School, received her B. A. degree at Clark College, Dubuque, Iowa, and her M. A. degree from Loyola University, New Orleans.

A native of Melrose, Iowa, Miss McEniry has had teaching experience in Iowa, West Virginia, and Louisiana.

Miss McEniry has done research work on the subject of "Communication Arts as Affected by Radio, Motion Picture, and the Theater."

During her college life she did outstanding work with the student council. She was also active in play production, having directed several plays. One of her major interests was music. She played the clarinet in both the high school and the college bands.

For her hobbies, Miss McEniry does needlepoint work and collects books and magazines. Golf has been, and still is, her favorite sport.

Miss McEniry succeeded Miss Mary Robson when she came to the State Normal College this year.

### MR. CECIL CLARE GRAHAM

Mr. Cecil Clare Graham, replacement for Mr. M. E. Wright, who became Principal of Campti High School, is now teaching chemistry in the Natchitoches High School.

Mr. Graham, after receiving his B. A. degree at the Louisiana State Normal College, has done graduate work in biology at the University of Arkansas and in education at the Louisiana State University.

For sixteen years Mr. Graham has been teaching at various schools—three years as Assistant Principal at Wal-

ker High School, six years as Assistant Principal at Quitman High School, and six years at Belcher High School.

He has done research work in the field of archeology at the University of Arkansas, and is making a survey of former Belcher High School Graduates in working on his M. A. degree.

Mr. Graham, the father of four boys, said he has a number of hobbies at home, but his favorite hobbies are archeology and taxidermy.

### MRS. MARTHA WOOD DUGDALE

Mrs. Martha Ellen Wood Dugdale received her B. A. degree in English from the Louisiana State Normal College, and her M. A. degree in history from The University of Texas. She has done special research in the history of Louisiana as told by travelers who visited the state prior to 1860. Mrs. Dugdale's hobby is visiting historical houses, not only residences, but public buildings, in Louisiana. She has done some research in this field.

Mrs. Dugdale married Dr. C. E. Dugdale in 1921. Even though they spent ten years at The University of Texas, they always visited Louisiana State Normal College on their return trips to Louisiana. When Mrs. Dugdale wrote her Master's thesis at the University of Texas, she could not resist writing on a Louisiana subject. From the library at The University of Texas she gathered some material from an excellent collection of books on the history of the Old South. With this material and her knowledge gained from her study of the history of Louisiana and historical houses she wrote her thesis. Mrs. Dugdale hopes to get this historical material into proper form for publication.

A member of Louisiana Teachers Association, Association of University Women, and Delta Kappa Gamma, honorary fraternity for teachers, Mrs. Dugdale has taught fifteen years in the high schools of Louisiana. She began teaching in the Science and Social Science Departments of the Natchitoches High School in January, 1942.

Although she enjoyed her stay in Texas, Mrs. Dugdale is very happy to be back in Louisiana with old friends.



SMITH

## HIGH SCHOOL

### MISS MILDRED L. SMITH

Miss Mildred L. Smith, from Many, Louisiana, replaced Miss Clara Ingram as supervisor of the Commerce Department in the Natchitoches High School, in September,

1942. She also assumed the position as commerce teacher in the Natchitoches High School.

Miss Smith attended the Louisiana State Normal college from 1938 to 1941, when she received her B. A.

degree in commerce. After graduating from the Louisiana State Normal College, she attended the Louisiana State University until 1943, at which time she received her M. A. degree.

While a student at the Normal College, Miss Smith was a member of the Alpha Sigma Alpha, a social sorority, of which she was vice-president from 1938 to 1939. She was also a member of the Commerce honorary fraternity, Pi Omega Pi. She is now a member of the Louisiana Teachers Association.

#### MISS GWEN SMITH

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Miss Gwen Smith, Supervisor of Physical Education in the Natchitoches High School and L. S. N. C., received her B. S. degree from the Southwest Texas State Teachers

College in 1937 and her M. A. in 1939 from the same school. She has done graduate work in the field of Physical Education at the universities of Colorado and Iowa.

Miss Smith was Supervisor of Physical Education at the Southwest Texas State Teachers College from 1938 to 1942. She was then Director of Physical Education at the Hoekaday Junior College, a private school for girls, during the school year 1942-43.

Miss Smith is a native of San Marcos, Texas, where she received her high school training.

As an under-graduate, Miss Smith was a member of Pi Gamma Mu, honorary history society, at the Southwest Texas State Teachers College.

Replacing Miss Palma Robinson, Miss Smith came to Normal in the fall of 1943.

## TRAINING SCHOOL

#### MR. JOHN A. JONES

Mr. John A. Jones came to the College this year to replace Mr. A. T. Browne as principal of the Elementary Training School.

Mr. Jones received his B. A. degree from Louisiana Polytechnic Institute in 1933, and his master's from Louisiana State University in 1938. He has now completed the major portion of his doctorate at L. S. U. Mr. Jones attended the Normal during two summer sessions.

The new principal is president of the local Lions Club and a member of Phi Delta Kappa.

Mr. Jones has taught in several schools in the state. For three years he was Director of Education at the Louisiana Training Institute and Superintendent of the Institute for one year. He served as Assistant District Supervisor of the Adult Education Program in the state during 1940-41. Before coming to the Normal, Mr. Jones was principal of Delhi High School in Richland Parish.

JONES



HILLIARD

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#### MISS WINIFRED HILLIARD

Miss Winifred Hilliard of Shreveport, Louisiana, who replaced Miss Margaret Hicks in the Elementary School, received her B. A. degree from the State Normal in the spring of 1942.

Miss Hilliard, a graduate of Fair Park High School,

entered the Normal in the fall of 1938, where her major was Upper Elementary.

As a student Miss Hilliard was a member of the Purple Jacket Club, of Kappa Delta Pi, and of Phi Alpha Theta (serving as secretary). She served on the B. S. U. Council and was listed on the honor roll in the spring of 1942.

She has done four months of graduate work at the Southern Theological Seminary and has done some additional work in the Louisiana State University extension service.

### MRS. JEWELL BAILEY JONES

Mrs. Jewell Bailey Jones, supervising teacher of the fifth grade, is a native of Haynesville, Louisiana.

She received her B. A. degree at Louisiana Tech in 1933 and her M. A. degree at the Louisiana State University in 1940. Her thesis, "A Study of Socio-Economic Status of Certain Boys in the Louisiana Training Institute," was written from experience that occurred during her five years of work at the State Training School for Delinquent Boys in Monroe. She has also done additional research work in this field.

Mrs. Jones is a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, the American Association of University Women, and the Louisiana Teachers Association. In the course of her teaching Mrs. Jones has not missed a single meeting of the Louisiana Teachers Association.

Mrs. Jone's favorite hobby is fishing.

### MISS ALICE B. RICE

Miss Alice B. Rice, a newcomer to the Natchitoches Elementary Training School faculty, received her B. S. degree from the North Texas Teachers College in 1943. She entered the teaching profession here in the fall of the same year.

Miss Rice is beginning graduate work in the Elementary Education field at the Louisiana State University. She is a member of the local Parent-Teachers Association.

Although a native of Collinsville, Texas, Miss Rice received her high school training in Whitesborough, Texas.

For her hobbies, Miss Rice has chosen photography, extensive reading, and letter writing.

### MISS EDNA DEY

Miss Edna Dey, third-grade teacher in the Elementary Training School, replaced Miss Rhoda Faulk this year. Miss Dey substituted for Miss Miriam Nelken during 1941-42 session while Miss Nelken was on leave. Before Miss Dey came to the College, she taught at Robeline, Provencal, Powhatan, Rodessa, Pleasant Hill, and Abita Springs.

An alumna of the State Normal, Miss Dey received her B. A. degree in 1938.

Miss Dey is a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, honorary teachers fraternity.

### MRS. VAN WOODWARD

Mrs. Van Woodward received her B. A. degree in Lower Elementary at Louisiana State Normal College in the summer of 1933. After graduating, she taught successively in Ruston, Dubach, and Bastrop.

Mrs. Woodward attended Louisiana State University, where she did graduate work toward her Master's degree.

She is a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, national honorary fraternity. Mrs. Woodward is now teaching the fourth grade in the L. S. N. C. Training School.

### MRS. H. J. COLVIN

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Mrs. H. J. Colvin, the former Miss Margaret Pickels, came to the Normal as the seventh-grade teacher in the Normal Training School, replacing Miss Thera Stovall, who was transferred to the Speech Department.

She is a native of Louisiana and received most of her education in this state. Mrs. Colvin graduated from the Model Training School of the Normal and from the two-year course here in 1916, and received the A. B. degree from the College in 1937. She was honored by being chosen as faculty representative of her class. She received her Master's degree from L. S. U. in 1938, and has done other graduate work at that University. Other institutions which she has attended are Louisiana Polytechnic Institute and the University of Wisconsin, where she did undergraduate work.

Mrs. Colvin is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi, Delta Kappa Gamma, and Kappa Delta Pi fraternities, and at the present time holds the position of Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the Delta Kappa Gamma fraternity. She is also a member of the L. T. A.

Her first teaching experience was in DeSoto Parish. Then she taught 12 years in the city schools of Shreveport before coming to the College.

Working with flowers is Mrs. Colvin's chief hobby, but she is also interested in astronomy, having done graduate work in that field at L. S. U.

### MISS MARY FRANCES FLOURNOY

(No picture available)

Miss Mary Frances Flournoy, a graduate of the Louisiana Normal College, where she received her B. A. degree, has been teaching the sixth grade in the Elementary Training School for the past two years.

Miss Flournoy was born in Arkansas, but her family moved to Haynesville, Louisiana, when she was one year old.

She is a member of the honorary history fraternity, Pi Alpha Theta, and of the Louisiana Teachers Association.

### MRS. BETTY TURNER FIELD

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Mrs. Betty Turner Field of Chillicothe, Texas, received her B. S. degree in August, 1942, from North Texas State Teachers College, Denton, Texas, and began her work in the State Normal College Training School in September, 1943.

Mrs. Field was elected to *Who's Who in Education* in the North Texas State Teachers College. She was President of the Elementary Council, a member of the Green Jackets, and a member of the Current Literature Club.

She teaches the fifth grade in the Training School and is doing graduate work in education from the State University.

As her favorite hobbies Mrs. Field has reading, sports of all kinds, and collecting silver and china.

## NOTED EDUCATOR DIES MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21



Professor L. J. Alleman, widely known educator and former head of the Department of Education at the Louisiana Normal College, died suddenly of a heart attack at the family residence on Cypress Avenue, Natchitoches, early Monday, February 21st.

A graduate of the Louisiana State Normal, Christian Brothers College, Memphis, Tennessee, and Louisiana State University, Professor Alleman became a member of the teaching staff at the Normal College in 1919 and retired from active service in 1942. In addition to heading the department of education at the college for twenty years, Mr. Alleman also filled the position as director of extension work, chairman of the appointment bureau and as postmaster of the Normal station for several years.

Prior to his coming to the State Normal College, Professor Alleman was principal of the Centerville high school in St. Mary's parish for a number of years and also served as superintendent of the Lafayette parish schools for fifteen years. During World War I he was employed by the federal government in vocational education in New Orleans.

A past president of the Louisiana Teachers Association, Mr. Alleman was conductor of the State Institute prominent in educational circles during the early part of the twentieth century and was one of the foremost leaders in the development of public education in the state during

the last half century. He is also credited with being the originator of the school bus system in the state while superintendent of schools in Lafayette parish where he advocated and secured wagons to transport students to and from schools in that parish.

Mr. Alleman was twice married. His first wife was Miss Eleanor Whitworth of Jeanerette whom he married in 1900. She died in 1936. Four children born to this union survive. They are Mrs. Charles Garbrecht of Denver, Colorado, Mrs. Clay Melder of Alexandria, Ray Alleman of Monroe and Lt. L. J. Alleman, Jr., who is serving with the armed forces in the South Pacific.

His second wife was Mrs. Charlotte Devall Boykin of Jeanerette who survives. Other surviving relatives are a grandson, Ray Alleman, Jr., of Monroe, four sisters and three brothers.

The Columns joins a wide circle of friends throughout the state in extending heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Alleman and the family.

## WITH OUR FALL SEMESTER GRADUATES

Miss Margery Buatt of Crowley has accepted a position teaching in the upper elementary grades at Jennings.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Eloise Cason, Plain Dealing, is teaching first grade at Sulphur.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Rose Victoria Chemino of Bunkie is teaching the intricacies of Bookkeeping, Typing and Shorthand in the high school at Bunkie.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Dorothy Coleman, Jena, has been employed as assistant librarian in the Natchitoches High School.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Sarah Nell Dean of Winnfield is preparing a group of seventh graders in Springhill to become freshmen in the high school department next session.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Marjorie A. Doland, Grand Chenier, is teaching the art of homemaking to the young ladies of the New Roads High School.

—L.S.N.C.—

Mrs. Nannie Belle Flowers Gordey, Oakdale, has accepted a year-round position in the Transylvania High School home economics department.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Neva Graves of Angola has accepted a position as teacher of the first grade in the Central Grammar School in Bastrop.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Opal Lavon Hall of Ringgold is teaching English-Social Studies in the Springhill High School.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Thelma Houston, Sarepta, has accepted a position as teacher of a section of the sixth grade in Springhill.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Edna Earl Jones of Bogalusa is presently working as a substitute teacher in the Bogalusa schools.

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Miss Nolia Ruth Knotts, Belle Rose, is employed in the upper elementary department of the Pierre Part School in Assumption Parish.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Clarence Edith Kuhn of Tallulah has accepted the position as teacher of music in the Winnsboro High School.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Essie Moore, Vivian, began her teaching profession in Iowa High School in her chosen field of social studies.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Linda Lee O'Bier, who is from Shongaloo, is teaching the second and third grades in Longville.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Lavarne Pearce of Noble is employed to teach home economics in Iowa High School in Calcasieu Parish.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Earlie Mae Riguad, of Braithwaite, is a seventh grade teacher in Port Sulphur.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Marteal Sanders, whose home is in Shongaloo, has the responsibility of the fourth and fifth grades in Ragley.

—L.S.N.C.—

Mr. Mack P. Stewart, Chestnut, teaches English in the Readhimer High School.

—L.S.N.C.—

Mrs. Mack P. Stewart of Chestnut leads the seventh graders of Goldonna in their studies each day.

—L.S.N.C.—

Mrs. Dorothy V. S. Townsend is home demonstration agent in Red River Parish.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Jean Vosburg, Mer Rouge, is a first grade teacher in Sulphur.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Annie Provenzano, an undergraduate of Donaldsonville, is teaching in the St. James High School.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Juanita Swor, an undergraduate from Montgomery, is employed in the Louisiana Institute for Girls in Alexandria.

# CUPID'S DOINGS...

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fair Hyams have announced the marriage of their daughter, Miss Adeline Katherine Hyams, B. S. '43, to Ensign Don Arvel Mims, ex '41, son of Mrs. Annie Mae Mims and the late Mr. Charles Mims, on Wednesday evening, January 26, at 7:30 o'clock, in the Bishop's rectory of the Old Catholic Cathedral at Corpus Christi, Texas. They will make their home in Corpus Christi, where Ensign Mims is an instructor of instrument flying at the Naval Training Station.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Exa Boone, ex '42, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Boone of Pleasant Hill, was recently married to Lieut. Paul Goodrich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Goodrich of Valpariso, Indiana, formerly stationed at Barksdale Field. The wedding took place in the parsonage of the Morningside Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Marjorie Shelton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Shelton, Sr., of Waterproof, and Mr. Edwin V. Watkins, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin V. Watkins of Natchitoches, were married at the First Baptist Church in Alexandria on December 20. Both the bride and the groom are graduates of the College. Mrs. Watkins is teacher of Home Economics at Boyce High School, while Mr. Watkins is an instructor in the Navy Flight Preparatory School of the College.

—L.S.N.C.—

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Alston Johnson of Shreveport have announced the marriage of their sister, Rosemary Slattery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Slattery, to Lieut. J. Beauregard Davis, United States Navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Davis of Trout, La., on January 15, in the Catholic Cathedral in Honolulu, T. H. Mrs. Davis is a graduate of L. S. U., and Lieut. Davis received his A. B. Degree from Normal in 1935 and his M. A. Degree and L. L. B. Degree from L. S. U. After a short wedding trip they will be at home at 409 B Royal Hawaiian Avenue in Honolulu, T. H.

—L.S.N.C.—

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. McGinty of Loggy Bayou announce the weddings of their daughters, Miss Leora McGinty of Baton Rouge to Cadet Darwin Shrell of Ruston; and Miss Iva June McGinty of Shreveport to Private Floyd Nelson of Yakima, Washington, now stationed at Barksdale

Field. The double wedding ceremony took place in the Baptist Church of Ringgold at 2:30 P. M. on December 26. Mrs. Shrell received her B. S. Degree from Normal in 1940, and has been teaching in Sarepta. Mrs. Nelson was a student here in 1942 and has recently been employed by the Arkansas-Louisiana Gas Co., at Shreveport.

—L.S.N.C.—

Mr. and Mrs. William Allen Womble of Shreveport announced the marriage of their sister, Miss Dorris Mildred Windham of Ida, to Pfc. Max Hardberger of Montgomery in the Methodist Church at Hot Springs, Ark. The bride is the daughter of the late Mrs. T. J. Windham of Ida, a graduate of the College, A. B. '39, and has attended Louisiana State University and University of Arkansas. Pfc. Hardberger is the son of Mrs. Luther Washburn of Cottage Grove, Oregon. He received his B. S. Degree at Normal in 1942. At present he is stationed with the medical corps at the Army-Navy General Hospital in Hot Springs.

—L.S.N.C.—

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Selvidge, Sr., of Georgetown, announce the marriage of their daughter, Thelda Rosalyn, A. B. '39, to Stanley Van Horn, U. S. Army, of Longview, Texas, in Urania on December 28. Mrs. Van Horn is a member of the Georgetown Junior High School faculty.

—L.S.N.C.—

Mrs. Esther Bedingfield of Shreveport announces the marriage of her daughter, Bernice Elaine, to Lieut. Ransom Edward Roth, A. A. F. They were married on January 7. Lt. Roth is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Roth of Kenosha, Wisconsin. The bride has been the director of physical education at Bunkie High School for the past three and one-half years. She received her B. S. Degree at Normal in 1940. The couple are making their home in Hastings, Nebraska, where Lt. Roth is stationed.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Athlyn Thigpen, ex '41, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Thigpen of Mansfield, was married to C/Sgt. James E. Boswell, B. S. '41, of the United States Navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Boswell of North Zulch, Texas, in a double-ring ceremony at the Presbyterian Church in Mansfield on December 25. The

young couple are at home in Waukegan, Illinois, where James is an instructor at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Evelyn Zinker of Queen's Village, Long Island, N. Y., and S. 2/c Frank T. Weaver, ex '41, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Weaver of Arcadia, were recently married in Queen's Village Chapel. They are making their home in New York.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Jo Evelyn Durr, B. S. '42, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Durr of Marthaville, and Pfc. Lois C. Newman, son of Mrs. Claude Newman of Pollock, were recently married in the First Methodist Church in Miami Beach, Florida. Mrs. Newman, prior to her wedding, was employed by the United Gas Pipeline Company of Shreveport. The young couple will reside in Miami, where Pfc. Newman is stationed.

—L.S.N.C.—

Mr. James E. Burnett of Homer announces the marriage of his daughter, Jimmie, to Sgt. Roy Ussery, B. S. '40, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ussey of Georgetown. Sgt. Ussery is now stationed at Camp Claiborne. Before entering the service he was connected with the F. S. A. in Claiborne Parish.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Elizabeth Keegan, ex '43, daughter of Mr. J. E. Keegan, Jr., and the late Mrs. Sadie Smith Keegan of Natchitoches, and Pvt. Larry D. Townsend, ex '43, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Townsend of Coushatta, were married in an impressive double-ring ceremony at the First Methodist Church of Waco, Texas, on Friday evening, December 17. The bride's father and grandmother, Mrs. J. E. Keegan, Sr., and the groom's parents were present for the ceremony. Pvt. and Mrs. Townsend will make their home temporarily in Oglesby, Texas, near Camp Hood, where the groom is stationed.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Elsie Lorainne Dills, A. B. '41, of Shreveport, and Mr. Carl Dedrick Tatum, also of Shreveport, were married December 24 in the Sexton Memorial Chapel of The First Methodist Church in Shreveport. Mrs. Tatum teaches English in the Bossier High School. They

will be at home at 416 Bennett Street, Bossier City.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Marion Elizabeth Bass, A. B. '37, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Bass of Campti, and Rev. G. W. Repond, pastor of Campti Baptist Church and son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Repond, Marion, Louisiana, were married at the Campti Baptist Church on December 19. The groom is a student here at the College, while Mrs. Repond is teaching in the Campti High School.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Gladys Elizabeth Williams of Fairview-Alpha and 1st Lt. Leonard W. Farr of Mandan, North Dakota, were married in the rectory of St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, Alexandria, on November 9. Following a honeymoon trip, Mrs. Farr will resume her teaching duties in the Tioga Grammar School faculty, and Lt. Farr will report to Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Eleanor Drew, ex '41, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Drew of Leesville, was recently married to Mr. Joseph H. Durrer in Long Branch, N. J. Mr. Durrer has been in North Africa for nine months prior to his marriage. They are now making their home at 1 Woodview Avenue, Long Branch, N. J., where Mr. Durrer is a radio engineer in laboratories at Fort Monmouth, N. J.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Shirley Lindsay, A. B. '42, presently teaching at Kinder, and Ensign Walter Stille, ex '41, of Many, were married on November 25 at the First Methodist Church in Natchitoches. Ensign Stille has been on active duty in the European Theater, and returned to duty at the expiration of his leave. The bride expects to continue her work in Kinder High School.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Kathleen Lorraine Evans and Thomas William Pope, Jr., were married at the First Baptist Church in Shreveport on December 23. Both are former students at the College. Miss Evans is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Slaughter of Shreveport, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas William Pope, Sr., of New Orleans. Mr. Pope will complete the requirements for a Doctor of Dentistry at Loyola in May and will be commissioned in the United States Naval Dental Corps.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Clara Ingram, A. B. '33, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph William Ingram of Robeline, and Derwood Delemar Harrison, son of Mrs. D. D. Harrison, formerly of

Pantego, N. C., were married in the National Baptist Memorial Church in Washington, D. C., on November 19. The bride was a former teacher of Commerce in the Natchitoches High School, and for the past two years has been secretary to Congressman A. Leonard Allen in Washington. They will be at home at Wooderest Apartments, 1624 Twenty-Seventh St., S. E., Washington, D. C.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Louise Soncrant, A. B. '30, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Soncrant of Natchitoches, and Mr. Carlyle A. Ceser, son of Mrs. H. B. Emery of Springfield, Illinois, were recently married. Mrs. Ceser was a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma while at Normal, did her graduate work at the University of Texas, and has been teaching home-economics at S. L. I. in Lafayette. The bridegroom is a graduate of Illinois Institute of Technology and is a flight instructor at the army airbase in Lafayette.

—L.S.N.C.—

Mrs. J. D. Gathright has announced the marriage of her daughter, Marjorie, to Lt. H. J. Murrell, U. S. Army, son of Mrs. A. P. Murrell of Lake Charles, on Friday evening, November 5, at the Catholic Rectory in Baton Rouge. Lt. and Mrs. Murrell graduated from the College in 1940 and 1941, respectively. Lt. (Shug) Murrell was an outstanding player on the Normal football squad, and Mrs. Murrell was active in Alpha Sigma Alpha Sorority.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Flo Meredith Scarborough, ex '43, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie M. Scarborough of this city, became the bride of William Evans Pelham, Naval Air Cadet, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pelham of Savannah, Ga., on Sunday morning, November 7, at the First Baptist Church.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Mary Lucille Reed, daughter of Mrs. R. S. Reed of Lake Providence, and Captain James E. Bell, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bell of Natchitoches, were quietly married on Monday evening, February 28. Mrs. Bell has been teaching in Calcasieu parish in the Cooley School, Lake Charles, while Capt. Bell has just returned from overseas duty in the African and European theater.

—L.S.N.C.—

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Johnson of Alexandria announce the marriage of their daughter, Billie Edelle, student at the College, to Kirby P. Gregory, U. S. M. C., at the First Baptist Church in Pineville, Monday evening, January 17. Marine Gregory is stationed at Santa Ana, California, where Mrs. Gregory will join him.

Mr. and Mrs. Rascoe Hamelton of Mansfield have recently announced the marriage of their daughter, Mary Cecil, to Lt. (j.g.) Frank Eason, both graduates of the College. Lt. Eason has just returned from 18 months service in the South Pacific area.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Adelaide Smith of Boyce and Lt. James C. Carlin Tarrant Field, Ft. Worth, Texas, were married on January 14, 1944. The bride has been teaching at Boyce prior to her marriage.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Frances Strickland, B. S. '39, of Castor and Sgt. Bob Lovejoy of New York were married on December 11, 1943, at the Post Chapel, Barksdale Field, La., where the groom is stationed.

—L.S.N.C.—

Mrs. Hector E. Bernadas announced the marriage of her daughter, Lillian Alice, to John Russell Bond, Lt. (j.g.) U. S. N. R. on Saturday, February 26, at Submarine Base Chapel, New London, Connecticut.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Virginia Lee Marmande, B. S. '44, of Houma and Lt. Robert E. Lee, B. S. '40, of Minden were married on February 15, at Santa Ana, California. Lt. Lee is in the Marine Corps.

—L.S.N.C.—



BONNIE MARIE WISE

Bonnie Marie Wise, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Erbon W. Wise, was born April 20, 1943. This picture was made at the age of eight months. Mrs. Wise, the former Willie Marie Norris, and Capt. Wise are graduates of the Normal. Captain Wise is stationed somewhere in England and, we understand, has never had the privilege of seeing his lovely young daughter, Bonnie Marie.

# HONOR ROLL

LT. GLEN EDWARD STEPHENS

CHIEF TORPEDOMAN WILLIAM HERMAN HOLLOWAY

LT. WILFRED R. PEROT

S/SGT. W. D. BALLARD

LT. MARVIN BOYDSTUN

William Herman Holloway died from wounds received when the U. S. S. BUCK was sunk in action off Salerno, Italy. Holloway was Chief Torpedoman's Mate at the time of the sinking of the BUCK. He was a student at the College in 1934-35 and 1935-36, where he played on the football squad as a freshman and as a sophomore. He enlisted in the Navy in 1936 and was sent to Norfolk, Va., for his basic training. He was very much interested in torpedoes and made them his chosen field of study. His progress was rapid and he became a Chief Torpedoman in October, 1942.

After serving some time in the Atlantic on the U. S. S. MUNSEN, he was transferred to the Torpedo School in Newport, R. I. He was then assigned to the U. S. S. BUCK for convoy duty in the Atlantic. He was wounded in action and received

Lt. Wilfred R. Perot, 23, of Campi, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Perot, was killed in action January 11 in a raid over Germany. Previously reported as missing in action, Lt. Perot's death was confirmed this week in a report from the Red Cross. He was commissioned May, 1943 at Moody Field, Valdosta, Ga. He was a pilot on a B-17 and had been overseas since October, 1943. Lt. Perot was the nephew of Sgt. Robert F. Lowe who was killed in the first World War and for whom Lowe-McFarland Post of the American Legion in Shreveport is named.

—L.S.N.C.—

Sgt. W. D. Ballard, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ballard of Pleasant Hill, was reported missing in action over Europe. He was later reported to be a prisoner of war but this report has not been confirmed.

—L.S.N.C.—

Lt. Marvin Boydston, son of Mrs. B. K. Boydston, reported missing in action on a bombing raid over Europe. Lt. Boydston was stationed somewhere in England.

—L.S.N.C.—

Lt. Bert Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hill of Natchitoches, who reported that he was in the same flight when Lt. Boydston was forced down over Germany, was reported missing in action a short time later somewhere over Europe.

## MISSING IN ACTION

LT. BERT HILL

LT. WILLIAM R. BARNHILL

LT. ALTON TOWNSEND

LT. J. D. BOSTON

a citation for bravery and courage above and beyond his regular duty. After two months in the Chelsea Naval Hospital, Boston, Mass., he returned to the U. S. S. BUCK and made a convoy trip to Africa. On the return trip he was wounded again, receiving eight fractures in his right leg. He was in the Brooklyn Naval Hospital from Feb. 13, 1943, until the latter part of August, 1943. He was discharged and again returned to the U. S. S. BUCK. His ship was sunk off Salerno, Italy, October 9, 1943, by a German submarine. Holloway died two days later in the Naval Hospital, Palermo, Sicily.

Pictured with Holloway is his little daughter, Dewonna Nell, who was one year old, October 24, 1943. This picture was made while the sailor was recuperating in the Brooklyn Naval Hospital.



Lt. William R. Barnhill, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Barnhill of Natchitoches, was reported missing in action over western Europe. His father, Mr. W. E. Barnhill, recently received the Distinguished Flying Cross and other citations for "Little Bill" at a ceremony in Alexandria.

—L.S.N.C.—

Lt. Alton Townsend, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Townsend of Cou-

Glen Edward Stephens, 1st. Lieut., U. S. Army Air Corps, whose home is in Leesville, was killed in a crash on May 27, 1943, at Selman Field, Monroe, La., while taking off in a B-26 Bomber. Lt. Stephens was a flight instructor. As the Bomber started to take off, one engine failed and the ship crashed, killing the entire crew with the exception of one Staff Sergeant.

He entered the service as an Aviation Cadet in September, 1941, at Barksdale Field and took his primary training at Corsicana, Texas; received his basic training at Sherman, Texas; and did his advanced flying at Ellington Field. He was commissioned in April 29, 1942.

Our sincerest sympathy is extended to his mother, Mrs. J. E. Stephens of Leesville. Glen had a host of friends among the faculty and the students of the College.

shatta, was reported missing in action over China since Nov. 12. His parents have later had news that he is a prisoner of the Japanese.

—L.S.N.C.—

Lt. J. D. Boston, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Boston, Sr., Montgomery, has been reported missing in action. Other reports state that he has been found, however, we have no confirmation of this report.

# With Our Boys In Service...



CORPORAL DWIGHT G. DAVIS

69th Division Band, Camp Shelby, Miss., was director of the Normal Band prior to entering the service last summer. Dwight has acquired a nice pack and large helmet for training purposes. This accoutrement must be quite a change from the weighty baton he formerly wielded as a civilian. He visited the campus recently while on a short furlough.

—L.S.N.C.—

Marshall P. Crews, ex '41, is a radio man 2<sup>c</sup> in the U. S. Navy and is stationed aboard ship in the Southwest Pacific area. He writes that he has been in the thick of the fighting in that area for nineteen months straight and, although it seems an impossibility, he is hoping to get leave before much longer. He states that he is eager to get this scrap over with so that he can return and finish his college work as well as play a little more football before old age overtakes him.

—L.S.N.C.—

Lawrence Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Young of Natchitoches, has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant, junior grade. Dr. Young had just returned to Natchitoches to practice medicine when he volunteered in the Navy in 1942.

—L.S.N.C.—

Wesley Wimberly, ex '42, of Campti, is stationed in the South Pacific in the Marine Corps. In a letter to his brother recently, Wesley said: "You don't have to worry about me not coming back, because Mom fed me enough corn bread and black-eyed peas to lick all these Japs; and boy, I didn't go through all this

hell of becoming a Marine to be bumped off by a little old Jap". Another statement in the same communication explained that he was sending a Jap stamp for his brother to use in writing Tojo that his little boys are losing and that the Marines will be over to see him soon.

—L.S.N.C.—

Cpl. Joe A. Miciotto, ex '39, son of Mrs. Bridget Miciotto, 201 Pierce Ave., Shreveport, La., has been promoted to Sergeant. Joe was a member of the football squad in 1939. He is now serving with the Fifth Army in Italy.

—L.S.N.C.—

Fireman 1<sup>c</sup> Harley H. Adams was a recent visitor to the campus. While here he told of his experiences on the ill-fated U. S. S. BORIE, which was sunk late in October. "We have been promised another ship, U. S. S. Borie," Harley stated after telling how the old World War I four-stack-er fought for several hours with German submarines. After sinking one sub, she encountered the second and sank it. She died in a "Blaze of Glory" after fighting and winning her greatest battle. The complete story has been graphically described in LIFE magazine, and later by the READER'S DIGEST of March.

The engine room crew worked with water up to their necks to keep the engines going during the battle that followed the ramming of the submarine by the Borie. Twenty-seven of Adams' shipmates, out of a crew of 156, were lost, and some of those saved were in the water for as long as four hours.

All of Adams' nine months of sea duty has been on the Borie. His task force was given Presidential Unit Citation. His other ribbons show that he has served in American, African, and European theatres.

A recent letter from Adams states that he has been assigned to another four-stacker for duty.

—L.S.N.C.—

Capt. W. H. Abington, B. S. '40, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Abington of Grand Cane, is now stationed at Miami, Fla. Abington received his training at Keesler Field, and was first commissioned at Camp Butner, N. C. His brother, Lt. Bruce Abington, is stationed in the South Pacific. He has been in the service since 1939 and received his commission at Camp Davis, N. C., in 1942. He received an assignment for the Canal Zone in January, 1943, and was transferred from there to his present location.



LIEUT. (j.g.) LLOYD W. SIGLER, USNR, 937 Henry Clay Ave., New Orleans, La., has been promoted to his present rank from that of ensign, it was announced recently at the Naval Armed Guard Center, New Orleans, La.

He returned recently from five and one-half months at sea as commander of the Navy gun crew aboard an American merchant ship which carried vital war materials to Egypt, South Africa, and South America. His vessel was attacked by submarines in the Mediterranean, but depth charges from escort vessels quelled the outbreak.

Lieut. Sigler was a clerk in the production department of the Texas Company in Houston, Texas, before entering the services December 1, 1942. He was graduated from Louisiana State Normal College, Natchitoches, La., in 1939. He was a yoman in the Houston Navy recruiting office for nearly a year before being commissioned an ensign.

The lieutenant's father, George S. Sigler, lives in Fullerton, La. His wife, Pauline, has been residing in Boston, Mass., while he was on duty afloat.

—L.S.N.C.—

Lieut. Thelma Miller, of Many, has been serving in the Nurses Corps of the Army in Hawaii since August, 1941. She visited her parents while on a month's leave in November and December before returning to duty.

—L.S.N.C.—

Pvt. Grady A. Jeter, formerly of Minden, recently visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Jeter, 2715 Vivian Street, Shreveport, while on leave from his station in Sebring, Florida.



PFC. JAMES W. TAYLOR, ex '43, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Taylor, 530 Marion, Port Neches, Texas, is now stationed at Camp White, Oregon, Co. A, 174th Inf. Reg. He is pictured while in flight training at Bonham, Texas, from which station he was discharged. He returned to school in 1942-1943 and remained until May, 1943, when he again entered service. He was transferred from Camp Roberts, Calif., to San Bernardino, Calif., before being assigned to his present location.

—L.S.N.C.—

Lt. (j.g.) Eva Rita Mouton, instructor of French at the College before enlisting in the WAVES, has been promoted to Lieutenant, senior grade, and is now stationed at the U. S. Naval Training Station, Livermore, Calif.

—L.S.N.C.—

Clinton D. Garrett, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Garret of Rodessa, has been commissioned a 2nd. Lt. at Marfa, Texas, and has been awarded the wings of a fighter pilot.

—L.S.N.C.—

Pvt. John A. Pruett, 1244 N. Sierra Bonita, Pasadena, Calif., has just finished his Pre-Meteorology work at Pomona College. He visited the campus while on leave waiting to be assigned to another station. John and Mrs. Pruett (Christine Mahaffay of Shreveport) are living at the above address. His brother, Sgt. David P. Pruett, ex '39, is in the Southwest Pacific.

—L.S.N.C.—

S2/c Lorane Brittain, former head of the Music Department here at the College, is now in Ohio State University where he is receiving training in Recognition in the U. S. Navy. Brittain volunteered in the Navy last fall. He says that he is trying to master the techniques and inflections of Navy languages, particularly the sweet, honeyed words used by C.P. O.'s in addressing the "Boots" in

training at the Naval Station. The words are not so difficult to learn, but the placing of the emphasis in the right place, and the peculiar intonation and coloring of the tone, have been somewhat difficult to master. Knowing Brittain's ability to get out of a bad lie on the golf course with a Niblick, we have little doubt of his ability to handle this or any other situation that may arise.

—L.S.N.C.—

Lt. Buford E. Mangum, A.A.F.N.S., Gp. 5, Box 460, Selman Field, Monroe, La., was a visitor to the campus in February during the Invitation Basketball Tournament. Buford still loves to play and watch basketball games. He took advantage of a leave to visit his old school and enjoy watching his favorite sport at the same time.

—L.S.N.C.—

Another visitor to the campus during the basketball tournament was another of our former basketball players, Tom Elkins, coach of the Harris High School team. He states that his brothers, John and Glen, are both in the Navy. John is an Ensign attached to a flotilla out of Ft. Pierce, Fla., while Glen is a radioman in the Southwest Pacific.

—L.S.N.C.—

We have just received the corrected addresses of two other brothers in the U. S. Navy. These grads are Orville Dupree, C Sp., Bks. 618, Matagorda, Texas, and Lt. (j.g.) Vernon Dupree, U.S.N.T.S., New Orleans (Algiers), La.

—L.S.N.C.—

Word comes that Cpl. James E. (Winnfield) Melton, one of Prof. Nelken's pet nuisance while at the College, is now doing his stuff in the Southwest Pacific. The Japs had better look out, or Winnfield will pull one of his favorite tricks on them every time they come in contact.

—L.S.N.C.—

Sgt. Wear A. Arledge was at home this fall on convalescent leave. He was in a plane crash on September 18, 1943, in which he crashed six ribs. While hospitalized for the cracked ribs he was forced to have an appendectomy. After his release from the hospital on November 9, Sgt. Arledge came home on convalescent leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Arledge of Campi. He returned to his post for duty early in December.

—L.S.N.C.—

Ensign Carl Maddox, Jr., U. S. N. R., was a visitor to the campus recently. He had just returned from Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, where he received his indoctrination course. He left here for duty in the Torpedo School at Newport, R. I.



PFC. OLIVER DENNAN HOLMES, B. A. '43, entered service immediately after graduation in the spring class of 1943. He is at present located in Camp Custer, Michigan, according to the latest report. He is in an M. P. Detachment.

—L.S.N.C.—

Lt. James C. Carlin, Tarrant Field, Fort Worth, Texas, was a welcome visitor on the campus last month. J. C. had just married Miss Adelaide Smith of Boyce, B. S. '42, on January 14, and quite naturally was still "Up in The Air" over his extreme good fortune and happiness.

—L.S.N.C.—

A C Bobbie Prestridge, who has just finished his pre-flight at Iowa City, Iowa, is spending 10 days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Prestridge in Natchitoches. Bobbie will report back to the primary base at Olathe, Kansas, for a continuation of his training.

—L.S.N.C.—

Ensign H. A. Marron is riding the waves in the blue Pacific these days. Alman went through the Midshipman School at Columbia University and was commissioned on March 31, 1943. He was then transferred to Recognition School until June 15, when he was ordered to sea duty in the Pacific. His ship was awarded a Presidential Citation for the delivery of vital war supplies through Japanese patrolled areas. Mrs. Marron, the former Mildred McMichael, resides at 502 Travis Street, Shreveport.

—L.S.N.C.—

Major Joe D. Kimbrell, 13th A. B., A. A. Bn., Fort Bliss, Texas, was a welcome visitor to the campus last month. Joe D. left here with the National Guard about three years ago as a lieutenant, and has been with his outfit most of the time since then.



A S HARRY M. MILLER,

ex '43, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy S. Miller of Natchitoches, is now located at 89th C. T. D., Sq. 1, Dowling Hall, Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska. He was sent to Sheppard Field, Texas, for training before being transferred to his present location at Omaha. He expects to be transferred to another station soon for further training.

—L.S.N.C.—

Pvt. James Basco of Gorum, a student here in the College during the fall semester, is now in Alabama Polytechnic Institute in the A. S. T. P. Engineering course, starting January 11, 1944. He is due to be stationed in Auburn for 36 weeks' training course, after which he will be assigned either to an advanced course, to OCS, or to specialized work in the ranks.

—L.S.N.C.—

Capt. Horace E. Bamburg 36th Fighter Group, Scribner Army Air Base, Scribner, Nebraska, was at home on furlough the latter part of December. While in Louisiana, Capt. Bamburg visited in Natchitoches and at the Normal. Horace is living near Omaha, where Mrs. Bamburg, nee Peggy Myers, B. S. '43, formerly of New Oxford, Penna., is staying with him. While in Natchitoches they were the guests of Mrs. Bamburg's sister, Mrs. Gilbert T. Saetre.

—L.S.N.C.—

Ensign James Gaspard, B. S. '43, looking somewhat underfed and undernourished as usual, being down to a mere 210 or 220 pounds avoirdupois, was a visitor on the campus in February. Gaspard has been stationed at Galveston, Texas, but is now at S. C. T. C. at Miami, Florida. He was fortunate enough to have a few days en route and spent part of his time looking up old friends and acquaintances on the campus.

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James Craton, ex '43, of Minden has recently completed his work in the V-12 program at Louisiana Tech and is now a Midshipman at U. S. N. R. Midshipman School in New York City, N. Y.

—L.S.N.C.—

We appreciate the Christmas card from Lt. Jesse L. Boucher of Springhill, a former football player and member of the track team. Lt. Boucher is now located in Tyndale Field, Fla., "6 Post Mess.

—L.S.N.C.—

Among those recently commissioned as Ensign, U. S. N. R., after completing their work at Columbia University, are the following Normal men:

Le Roi Eversull, Boyce, La.  
James Richard, Washington, La.  
Russell Neely, Harman, La.  
Tom Paul Sutherland, Bossier City, La.  
Leland Rhodes, Saline, La.  
Toxy Bourn, Haynesville, La.  
J. E. Tullus, Winnsboro, La.

—L.S.N.C.—

Sgt. Harry Creighton, 330th C. C. T. S., Main. Sq. B, Biggs Field, Texas, was a recent visitor on the campus. Harry was on leave to visit Mrs. Creighton (Lucia Aleock) and Harry, Jr., who was born on January 22, 1944. He says that Junior is developing wonderfully and when only ten days old told him he could go on back and win the war, since Junior had every thing under control and would take care of the situation at home until after the war was over. No wonder Harry is such a proud Papa with a boy like that in the family.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Alethia Inez Redd, ex '40 daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Redd of Newellton, has been commissioned 2nd. Lt. in the Army Nurse Corps. Lt. Redd is reporting to the Santa Ana Army Air Base, Santa Ana, Calif., for duty. She completed her nurses' training at North Louisiana Sanitarium School of Nursing in Shreveport. Her present address is:

Lt. Althia I. Redd, A.N.C.N.  
789994,  
Station Hospital, S.A.A.A.B.,  
Training Det. No. 10,  
Santa Ana, California.

—L.S.N.C.—

A card from Crit Rogers states that he is now stationed in Pensacola, Florida, where he is an Aviation Cadet. He was in Pensacola, in December when that city had the first snow its citizens had ever seen fall there.

—L.S.N.C.—

We appreciate a card from Cpl. and Mrs. James W. Black. James is now stationed at Stuttgart, Arkansas, in the 1021st Guard Sq., S. A. A. F.



S/SGT. MALCOLM D. ENLOW,

a former student and member of the first flying class at the College, graduated with honor (he ranked third in a class of 285) from Harlingen Field, Texas, in Aerial Gunnery. He has been in England since April, 1943, where he has received the Air Medal, the Distinguished Flying Cross, and several Oak Leaf Clusters for his bombing missions over enemy territory.

—L.S.N.C.—

Information comes from the Navy Department that Miss Ruth Delle Gump, who was a student here in 1927-29, formerly living in Alhambra, Calif., is now an A. S., U. S. N. R., Billet T-240, Northhampton Hotel, Naval Reserve Midshipmen's School, Northhampton, Massachusetts.

—L.S.N.C.—

Thanks to Lt. William J. Dodd for his welcome note from "Somewhere in England". Bill moved over about the time the last publication of the Columns was being mailed, and missed his copy which was sent to his old address. Hope you received my letter and the extra copy of the Columns that was mailed you immediately upon receipt of your letter, Bill and unless you change address again, this copy should reach you.

—L.S.N.C.—

An Associated Press report from England on Feb. 29 states that on a recent raid on German airplane factories near Berlin, the American airforce fighters brought down a record of 61 German fighters. Among those listed in the report as pilots credited with bringing down at least one German fighter was Major Willie O. Jackson of Natchitoches.



PFC. BRUCE L. RASCOE,

B. S. '43, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Rascoe of Princeton, is stationed at Cheyenne, Wyoming. He is in Hq. Co., Q.M.U.T.C., Fort Francis E. Warren, where he enjoys hammering away at his typewriter. Bruce worked in the Editor's office while at school and stated that he thought he was through working with a typewriter, however, Uncle Sam insists that he continue the good work.

—L.S.N.C.—

A recent letter from S/Sgt. M. T. Mayeux, 38267298, A.P.O. 676, 4/4 P. M. Miami, Florida, states that he is enjoying the fine climate and accommodations where he is stationed, and that he is eager to receive the next issue of the Columns in order that he may keep up with the whereabouts of many of his old schoolmates who were here on the campus with him in 1941.

—L.S.N.C.—

We have just received a news release from the Bureau of Public Relations, War Department, Washington, D. C., which we are glad to pass on to you. "The promotion of Lieutenant Nat Giambelluca from the rank of second lieutenant to first lieutenant was announced recently somewhere in England by this (Censored) depot headquarters. Lieutenant Giambelluca is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Giambelluca of Woodside, La. He attended Melville Louisiana High School and Louisiana State Normal College, Natchitoches. He formerly was a teacher at Simmesport High School and entered the armed forces as an enlisted man on June 17, 1941. He was commissioned a second lieutenant on December 12, 1942."

—L.S.N.C.—

Another release states that Aviation Cadet Whitfield T. Huson, 27, of Mansfield, La., former student of

Louisiana State Normal College, had arrived at Enid Army Air Field, Okla., from Corsicana Field, Texas, for a nine-week basic flying course. After completing basic flight training at Enid, he will go to another airfield for advanced instruction.

—L.S.N.C.—

Lt. David Bramlett, Somewhere in England, a veteran of the African campaign (David has been overseas for more than eighteen months) writes on January 20, as follows: "Mr. Miller, I enjoyed reading the Nov. issue of the Normal Alumni Columns. Please send me all issues in the future. We have been through 'hell' and it looks like we have more work to do before coming home. It's no picnic in battle even though I'm a veteran now." Bramlett's Company was cited for outstanding achievements in El Guettar Battle in North Africa. His group have been through three major campaigns up to the present time. He stated that Woodrow "Blub" Miller is in Africa and Jimmy Steen in Sicily, unless they have been moved since last he heard from them.

—L.S.N.C.—

Roland Hussey, son of Dr. Priscilla B. Hussey of the Biology Department, has been assigned to duty at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

—L.S.N.C.—

Tommy Thompson, Frank Lampkin, Carl Benton, and John Tarlton, former students at the College, are stationed at Lafayette in the V-12 program at Southwestern. Many of our boys have been at S. L. I. in this program, but several have been transferred to other stations. When last we heard from Jimmie Dupree, he was still in Lafayette awaiting orders.

—L.S.N.C.—

A recent note from Lt. J. Paul Powell, U. S. N. States that J. P. Loftin of the Class of '42, is a Pharmacist's Mate, 1/c, and is aboard the same ship with him in the Pacific. Loftin was a member of the basketball squad and one of Coach Prather's sharp-shooters.

—L.S.N.C.—

Ensign J. E. Tullus, who was commissioned on October 20, after completing his work at Columbia University, stopped en route to San Francisco for assignment to duty. A letter just received stated that he had been somewhere in Australia and had run across LeRoi Eversull, who was commissioned Ensign at the same time J. F. received his commission. He also met up with Woodie Simmons, who is now a Corporal in the Army. Tullus must have been going places, for my letter written to him in November just caught up with him on February 10.



A C Charles Roberts, B.F.T.S.—R.A.F., 19 Course-Flt. D, Miami, Oklahoma, was a visitor to the campus on February 10-11. Charles is in training with the Royal Air Force in Miami. He likes it very much and was heard using the expression "Bah Jove" while on the campus, which proves how thoroughly he is entering into the real spirit of the R.A.F.

—L.S.N.C.—

A C Charles A. Rivet has completed his training in the Naval Preparatory School at Rensselaer Tech, New York, and has been transferred to Ball Teachers State College, Muncie, Indiana, for further training, according to a report just received by his parents.

—L.S.N.C.—

A letter from Lt. R. G. Pyle, A. P. O. 633, 4/4 P. M., New York, dated February 13, stated that he had just received his copy of the Columns and said in part: "Thanks for the information you gave and the memories you aroused. Good for one's morale in the deepest sense of the word. My work in the Bombardment Division calls for long hours on duty—so, when I awaken after getting some good old sleep, I always look to see if there is mail. Surely does boost my feelings if there is . . . Keep 'em coming (The Columns) and someday we will be back to thank you in person—We all hope".

—L.S.N.C.—

Ellis R. Wallenberg has just received his silver wings and his commission as a second Lieutenant in the Army Air Forces and has been sent to Randolph Field, Texas, where he will serve as an instructor. Ellis is the son of Mrs. J. O. Spillman of Cloutierville. Before leaving for his new assignment he was a visitor in the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Pellock of Natchitoches.



PFC. A. C. WILLIS,

ex '43, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Willis of Woodworth is now at 804 Tech School Aq., Bks. 1217, Army Technical School, A.A.F.T.T.C., Sioux Falls, South Dakota. A. C. is training for Radio Operator-Mechanic-Gunner at Sioux Falls and expects to graduate in February.

—L.S.N.C.—

We wish to express our appreciation for letters from Major Randall Keator in England, Sgt. Buddy Beard in Italy, and Ph. M 2/c Joe Thomas on a carrier in the Pacific. We have quoted other letters from them in former issues of the Columns.

—L.S.N.C.—

A letter last received from Lt. John Cawthon states that he is now stationed somewhere in England. Ardis also said that he felt that he was growing a bit professionally, as well as contributing his "two pence worth" to the war effort. He enjoys the Columns and wants other copies. Before entering the service, he was a member of the Training School faculty at the College.

—L.S.N.C.—

Charles Winston Lanehart of Monterey, former student, is now in the Navy V-12 program at Louisiana Tech.

—L.S.N.C.—

Lt. John S. LeBlanc has just been transferred from Carlsbad Army Air Field to Boca Raton Field, Florida, where he will take a specialized course.

—L.S.N.C.—

Pvt. George Parks and Mrs. Parks (Earline Cannon) visited in Natchitoches recently. George is stationed in North Camp Hood, Texas, and Earline is teaching near there.

—L.S.N.C.—

Paul M. Keyser has just been promoted to the rank of Master Ser-

geant in the signal corps at Drew Field, Florida, where he is an instructor in the Aircraft Warning Unit Training Center.

—L.S.N.C.—

A C Jack Dew has completed his basic pilot training at the Chico Army Air Field, California, and has been transferred to Ft. Sumner, New Mexico, for advanced training.

—L.S.N.C.

A C Patrick C. Murphy has been transferred from Sheppard Field, Texas, to the Army Air Forces Training Command, Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

—L.S.N.C.—

Nellie Rains Kurtz, Seaman 2/c in the WAVES, is in training at Indiana University at Bloomington, Ind. She received her indoctrination at Hunter College, New York.

—L.S.N.C.—

Lt. (j.g.) W. S. (Dick) Fluit, son of Mrs. E. S. Fluit of Plain Dealing, was recently awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in combat. He is now back in the Pacific area. Dick was a former athletic star at the College. He has two brothers in service, Ens. D. L. Fluit, South Pacific and C. P. O. Carl Fluit of the Seabees.

—L.S.N.C.—

Ellis Arlington Kerr, son of Mrs. Gladys Ross Kerr, Leesville, has recently been commissioned Ensign in U. S. N. R. after completing his training at Corpus Christi, Texas.

—L.S.N.C.—

C. M. 1/c Otto Evans, who enlisted in the Seabees Feb. 15, 1942 is somewhere in the South Pacific area. He is one of five brothers in service—Capt. Melvin Evans, 1st. Lt. Poley Evans, Pfc. Willard Evans, S 1/c Willis A. Evans.

—L.S.N.C.—

Lt. Blanche A. McElwee, Army Nurse Corps, recently returned to the states from overseas duty. While overseas in North Africa Lt. McElwee met her brother, Lt. Ray McElwee of the U. S. Army Air Forces who had been serving overseas since August 1942. Nurse McElwee also met Capt. James E. Bell and Lt. Lester H. Laird.

—L.S.N.C.—

Mrs. Dorothy Freeman Domingues was commissioned a 2nd Lt. in the WACs at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., in November. She is now stationed at Camp Bowie, Texas.

—L.S.N.C.—

Cpl. S. Aubrey Kendrick of Fort Sill, Okla., is a visitor on the campus this week. He was editor of the Current Sauce while a student at the College.



A C VERNON WARREN,

ex '42, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Warren of Rodessa, is now stationed at Majors Army Air Field, Greenville, Texas. He was sent to Sheppard Field, Texas, upon enlistment in the Air Corps and later transferred to Bonham, Texas, and to Sherman, Texas, before being assigned to his present location.

—L.S.N.C.—

Lt. Margaret Waller, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Waller of Hayesville, was made instructor of physical education at Daytona Beach, Florida, in December. She is a graduate of the College and taught at St. Vincent's Academy, Shreveport before entering the WAC.

—L.S.N.C.—

Lt. (j.g.) Norman T. Dowty recently returned to the states, visited Mrs. Dowty and his young daughter Amy Beth in December before returning to Norfolk, Va.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Norma Lee Pitts of Belcher is now a "boot" in the Marine Corps Womens Reserve at LeJeune, N. C. Pvt. Pitts was an aircraft sheet metal worker before she enlisted. She has two brothers in the service, Sgt. Tom Ford Pitts in the Army Air Corps, and Joe D. Pitts in the Coast Artillery.

—L.S.N.C.—

Miss Juanita Williams is now Pfc. Williams in Camp LeJeune, N. C. Before becoming a Marine, Pfc. Williams taught at Dulberly.

—L.S.N.C.—

Lt. (j.g.) Charles DeBlieux spent the first week in January visiting in Natchitoches after having served twenty months in the southwest Pacific.

Pfc. Eugenia S. Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy M. Brown, 4400 Richmond Ave., Shreveport is serving as assistant librarian at the post library in Luke Field, Phoenix, Ariz. She took her basic training at Fort Oglethorpe.

—L.S.N.C.—

Word has just been received that Oris B. Johnson has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel and is now commander of a fighter squadron engaged in overseas duty.

—L.S.N.C.—

Herman T. Holder, recently received his silver pilot's wings and commission as 2nd Lt. in the army air forces at Pampa air field, Texas. He received his primary flight training at Tulsa, Okla., and Coffeyville, Kans.

—L.S.N.C.—

Lt. Pat Lawney, who has been stationed in India, has established a record as being one of only two bomber plane crews that have over 400 hours of combat duty in that area.



A/C LEROY S. MILLER, JR., oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy S. Miller of Natchitoches, has just been transferred to Smyrna, Tenn., where he is awaiting further transportation orders. Leroy took his basic training in 1942-43 at Camp Adair, Oregon. He was transferred to Salt Lake City and then sent to Carnegie Tech for nine months in the A.S.T.P. In January, 1944, he was transferred to the Air Corps in Miami Beach, Florida, where he remained a short time before being transferred to his present camp in Tennessee.

Sam Shuler, Electrician 2/c, visited in Natchitoches this past week. This is his first leave since he volunteered in the Navy immediately after Pearl Harbor. He was on the U. S. S. Neches in the South Pacific when she was torpedoed in January, 1942. He and the rest of his crew, all but 59, were rescued by a destroyer which picked them up after thirteen hours on a raft.

His next assignment will take him to Syracuse, N. Y., where he will attend the turbo-electric school for special training. Sam has been overseas for the past 26 months and land duty for him will be a welcome change.

—L.S.N.C.—

Capt. James E. Bell, U. S. Army Air Forces, recently returned from the European and African theatre of operations, was a visitor on the campus. While in Natchitoches, James was visited by his twin sisters, Maxine and Lillian, who are employed in Memphis, Tenn., at the Ferry Command offices. Incidentally, they came to greet their new sister-in-law, the former Mary Lucille Reed, who became Mrs. Bell on February 28.

## For Our War Files

We want information about Normal men and women in the armed forces of our nation. The data, which will be kept in the alumni office, are important in the records of our state and nation, in addition to their value in alumni history. The friends of these young men and women are very much interested in their records also, so please fill out the blank form below and return it to the Alumni Office, Louisiana State Normal College, Natchitoches, Louisiana.

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of Service \_\_\_\_\_

Rank \_\_\_\_\_ Station or Camp \_\_\_\_\_

Company, Regiment or Division \_\_\_\_\_

Service Record (Date entered service, promotions, citations, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

# Out of the Mail Bag...

A letter just received from 1st Lt. J. E. Sweeney, O-795506 % Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif., A. P. O. 713, Unit 1.

Somewhere in New Guinea,  
December 23, 1943.

Dear Mr. Miller: (Hi Prof.)

I guess you are pretty busy these days with the Navy, etc. I received a letter from the school telling about the program and about the minute of meditation at noon, Wednesday, November 24. It so happened that at that time (high noon) I was on a bombing raid to Alexisafen air odrone and had my hands quite full. The ship was shot up a good deal, but my crew and I came out O. K., so maybe the minute you and the school spent did some good. I like to think so anyway. I've been over that hot spot three times. Don't let anyone fool you. The Jap anti-aircraft guns are good. They put a lot of it up and put it where they want it. Take it from one who knows.

I hear you are putting out an alumni magazine. If so, would you send me one. I'd like to read about the old school.

Red Harrison is on New Guinea too. I've had two letters from him and I hope to fly over to see him soon.

I'd like to hear from some of my friends back in school. Would you put my address in the book or some-place where some one would or could write if he wanted to?

Give my regards to Miss Winters, Pres. Farrar and family, Prof. Webb, Coaches Turpin and Prather; in fact tell every one hello for me. I hope you can find time to drop me a line and let me know how things are going.

As ever,  
SWEENEY.

(Ed. Note: Sorry that I can not give Sweeney's complete address since censorship regulations will not permit publication of squadron and group numbers; however I shall be glad to furnish it to any individual who will write me for it. This regulation applies to men overseas.)

—L.S.N.C.—

Another interesting note from Capt. Truett Sledge, who is Down Under in the Southwest Pacific.

December 30

Dear Professor Miller:

I doubt if you even remember me and I don't expect you to—however, I took math., trig. and Physics under you in 37, 38 and 39—was pretty dumb too. Maybe I still am. (Ed. Note: I haven't forgotten Truett—Neither IS he nor WAS he DUMB in my classes). Received President Farrar's letter of Nov. 11 to all Normalites a few days ago—was sent to me by Lt. Bobby Jones, also a Normalite. I am stationed in New Guinea and have been for almost as long as I can remember. Sgt. Otho Harrison is in the same

Sq. as I. He too was an invader of Normal. James Sweeney is also near here but I havn't been able to see him.

This is quite a place here and some say it is beautiful but personally I doubt it. President Farrar invited us to write you if we desired an alumni magazine or such. Would you be so kind as to send me one? I would appreciate it very much.

So Normal has changed, and I am sure most of us wouldn't know it but we have sweet memories of a place I am sure we all want to see some day. Wishing you the best of luck and hoping that some day I will see L. S. N. C. once more, I am

Sincerely,

TRUETT SLEDGE.

—L.S.N.C.—

(Needless to say, the copies of the Alumni Columns are being mailed to every man whose address we have been able to obtain).

Napoleonville, La. 1-13-14.

Dear Mr. Miller:

It is my wish to compliment you of the Alumni Office on the splendid work you have been doing on the "Alumni Columns." The information concerning the "Old-Gang" interests me very much—I enjoyed knowing them on the Hill and I enjoy hearing of their present activities.

The fellows seem to be doing very well for themselves and their country. The Class of '39 is doing exceptionally well—quite a few majors and captains and dozens of lieutenants.

The placing of Seriven Swett's picture on the cover of the most recent issue of the "Columns" was a splendid tribute to a splendid fellow . . .

Charlie Dupuy, B. S. '40, asked me to give you his regards and tell you to send him the Columns. His address is: 1st Lt. C. P. Dupuy, Jr., Stry B., 85th A. A. A. Newport News, Va.

Clyde Woods, B. S. '39, writes that he gets the Columns and enjoys it tremendously. He writes that the passes out the information to all the alumni he meets—and he has met several; Jim Merritt, Tom Schwalm, D. T. Tarlton, etc. in two years of Midway, Oahu, and in the Southwest Pacific. Clyde's address is: Capt. C. W. Woods, Jr., U. S. M. C. Mar. Bks., N. A. S. % Fleet Post Office, San Francisco.

My brother, Richard T. (Dick) Powell, who attended Normal from 1940 to 1941, is back in this country after thirteen months overseas. He spent seven months in the Solomons and wears the "Presidential Unit Citation" ribbon as well as a number of campaign ribbons. Two days after his return home, he married Miss Prudence Robichaux of Shreveport. He is now stationed at the Naval Ammunition Depot at Dover, N. J. He is a Corporal.

This is getting a bit too long, so I had better cut it

short. Give my regards to my friends on the faculty and keep the Columns coming. If my subscription is up, please let me know.

Sincerely,  
JAMES LYNN POWELL

—L.S.N.C.—

December 29, 1943.

Dear Mr. Miller:

I have just received my copy of Normal Alumni Columns and wish to take this time to express my appreciation. I've read every line of it several times. I enjoyed it very much. It is very nice to know where lots of my fellow students and friends are during the present time, and very encouraging to find that a great percentage of them are now officers of the United States Army, Navy, Marine Corps, etc.

I am training for Radio operator-mechanic-gunner here in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. If all goes well my graduation date will be February 15, 1944.

Thanks again for my copy of the Columns. My regards to your secretary, Miss Tramel.

Sincerely,  
PFC. A. C. WILLIS—38485385  
804 Tech School Sq. Brks, 1217  
Army Technical School, A.A.F.T.T.C.  
Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

—L.S.N.C.—

Somewhere in England,  
December 27, 1943.

Dear Mr. Miller:

Please send me the "Alumni Magazine" to the address on the envelope.

I have been over here somewhere in England for quite a while. I received a letter from Dr. Joe Farrar to all alumni of Louisiana State Normal. Was glad to get it and to notice all the changes since I left the College for the service on April 10, 1942.

Your friend,  
SGT. WILLIAM L. BROWN.

—L.S.N.C.—

Somewhere in the Pacific Zone

Dear Mr. Miller:

I received your letter today though it had been many places to get to me. I can't tell you exactly where I am except that I am somewhere in the east.

Ras Ritter is in the Med. Dept. stationed at P. O. C. Station Hospital in San Francisco. All the boys at home are in the service. When I was home on furlough . . .

Tell Miss Winters and Dr. Farrar I said hello, and I'll be anxious to hear from you. I will inform you of any

change of address. I probably won't get your mail very soon, but write just the same.

Sincerely,  
PVT. EDWARD LEE VINES,  
383924496  
San Francisco, Calif.

—L.S.N.C.—

Route 1, Box 338T Carlsbad, New Mexico,  
December 19, 1944.

Dear Mr. Miller:

Enclosed is my check for one dollar to cover cost of a year's subscription to the Columns. I received the November issue, though I am at a loss to know how you obtained my present address at the field.

I enjoyed this issue more than words will express. I was particularly interested in the section dealing with our fellow service men and women. I had lost contact with many of these former Normalites and enjoyed hearing of them again. It will indeed be a pleasure when the present conflict is over to once more see and talk with the fellows mentioned in the Columns.

While I am about it, I must mention running into another former Normalite in the Officer's Club here. I encountered Wayne J. Seward, the former Normal Band trombone player and Sigma Tau Gamma member here a few months ago. You will remember he made an excellent record in the first C. P. T. program at Normal. Well, Wayne is a Captain now and was here for only a few months during which I had the pleasure of flying with him several times. He has since transferred and is a B-17 bomber instructor at the Hobbs Army Air Base, Hobbs, New Mexico.

I am still flight instructor in the bombardier advanced flying school here. Any time the weather gets cold, just be thankful you aren't on a night high-altitude bombing mission!

Again let me express my appreciation for the issue of the Columns.

Sincerely,  
J. S. LeBLANC,  
2nd Lt., Air Corps.

—L.S.N.C.—

At Sea—Southwest Pacific,  
January 22, '44.

Normal Alumni Columns

Dear Editor:

I received with pleasure your issue of the Columns of last November.

It has been read by several Normalites other than myself and you might guess the many happy remembrances it brought to our minds.

Inclosed you will find \$1.00, for which please enter my subscription.

Thanks very much,  
J. Paul Powell, Class' 40.  
LT. (j.g.) J. PAUL POWELL  
U. S. S. \_\_\_\_\_  
Fleet Post Office  
San Francisco, Calif.

Editor's Note: Sorry we cannot print complete addresses of men overseas, but if you desire to write any person mentioned in our news items, we will be glad to furnish complete address on request.

The following letter was received from Harley H. Adams, who visited the campus recently while on leave. He had been serving on a destroyer which was sunk.

January 11, 1944

Dear Mr. Miller:

Several times I have read the copy of Alumni Columns I received while back on the campus and have enjoyed it very much. I enjoyed my visit there very much and look forward to coming back again.

They didn't waste much time in assigning me to another four-stacker; hope it has better luck than the last one I was on.

I met William Brewster, another ex-Normal student, a few days ago who is in the Coast Guard stationed at Charleston, S. C. He is a Storekeeper, 1st class, and has a fairly easy time as he is on shore duty.

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Give my regards to the faculty and students that I know.

Sincerely,  
HARLEY H. ADAMS.

—L.S.N.C.—

Copy of a letter from Cpl. Leonard Jones, Jr.

Jan. 8, 1944  
India.

Dear Sir:

As a former member of the student body now in the Air Force, I am still very much interested in the school. Since arriving in India I have met S/Sgt. Robert Carpenter, Lts. Dalton Martin and Ernest Hotard, all former students. We sure had some nice talks about the school.

I am a (Censored) in the Airways Communication System. I like my work very much.

I am waiting for the day when peace comes and I can return to school. I wish to congratulate the staff of the Alumni Columns on the splendid work they have done.

LEONARD JONES, JR.

—L.S.N.C.—

January 18, 1944.

Dear Mr. Miller:

I received my copy of the "Normal Columns" and enjoyed it very much. However, it made me just a little homesick. It was delayed somewhat since I was transferred from Norfolk about a week before Christmas. I am enclosing a dollar so I can receive the rest of the copies.

New York is a wonderful liberty town. So far that is mostly hear-say but I am going to find out soon. All this snow and the cold weather doesn't agree with a Southerner like me, especially when I had to stand sentry duty the other night around midnight. Take my word for it, it can get plenty cold.

Bruce (Rascoe) wrote me about his furlough in Louisiana—It seems he was sick most of the time.

Please give my regards to Miss Tramel.

Sincerely,

JAMES CRATON.

My address is:

Midshipman James Craton,  
U. S. N. R. Midshipmen's School  
929 A Johnson  
New York, 27 New York.

—L.S.N.C.—

Somewhere in The Aleutians  
January 23, 1944.

Dear Mr. Miller:

Last week I received the November issue of the "Columns" and can't start to tell you how much I enjoyed it.

On the way it got wet but with a hot stove it didn't take long to fix that. I read it from cover to cover, not just once but twice.

Not since I left Texas early last summer have I seen anyone from school; in fact only a few from Louisiana.

Am enclosing a money order and wish you would continue sending it to the address below:

Sincerely,

PVT. DON MIKE STOTHART,  
ASN 18212974  
186 Station Hospital  
A. P. O. 948, % P. M.  
Seattle, Washington.

—L.S.N.C.—

February 9, 1944.  
England.

Dear Mr. Miller:

A few days ago I received a copy of the Alumni Columns for which thanks; however, I happened to come across a copy about two weeks ago.

I was in the personnel office of the group when I happened to notice a magazine with a picture of Scriven Swett on the cover. It was addressed to Bill Barnhill and that was the first I knew about Bill being in this group. I knew that he had been over here and that he was missing in action but I had no idea that he might be on the same field as I. In fact, he went down ten days after I arrived here, but since he was in a different squadron, I didn't see him at all. C'est la guerre.

The E. T. O. seems to be well represented with Normalites. I ran into W. O. Jackson in London recently. He is a Major in a P47 group. Erbon Wise, Charles Kelly, Buddy Smith and David Bramlett had at one time or another registered at the Red Cross Club for officers, as had Pete LaGuens, Frances Farrar's husband, whom I had met in training back in the states. I am hoping to run across any and/or all of them before I leave.

As to the E. T. O. itself, all I can say is that it's hard to decide which is the worse, the Jerries or the weather. After the Oecherleben raid January 11, I lean a little to the German, but the weather runs a close second . . .

HENRY FORD GLASS (1st Lt.)

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